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Applicants: Vargas, Jaime; et. al.
Assignee: Cardica, Inc.
Title: Incision Tensioning System and Method for Using the Same
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION (AFTER FINAL)

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action of April 8, 2004.